

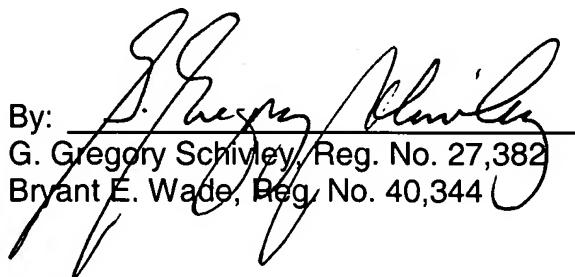
**REMARKS**

Claims 1 - 7 are now pending in the application. The purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to remove multiple dependent claims and to add new claims. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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